State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 **FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation

Central Valley District 22708 Broadway Street Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Entrance Road Gate Installation

LOCATION: McConnell State Recreation Area COUNTY: Merced

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Install a new metal two- door swing gate at the entrance of McConnell State Recreation Area to protect park resources during park closure. Work will auger two 2' diameter X 4' deep holes; install two 6" X 8' galvanized steel posts and fill with gravel; fill holes with concrete for stability; and mount gates.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

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Categorical Exemption

Class: 3 & 4 Section: 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures included as "construction or installation of gates" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; and minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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